

**PROFESSIONAL HYDROLOGISTS SECTION
EXAMINING BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS,
HYDROLOGISTS AND SOIL SCIENTISTS
MINUTES
MADISON, WISCONSIN
NOVEMBER 18, 1999**

PRESENT: Stephen Donohue (by teleconference), Robert Karnauskas, Herbert Garn

EXCUSED: Roger Hall

STAFF PRESENT: Alfred Hall and Becky Fry; Bill Black, Legal Counsel, was present for portions of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Stephen Donohue, chair. A quorum of three members was present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to adopt the agenda, as published. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (10/26/99)

The following amendments were made to the minutes: the addition of Wilbur Stites for Intent to Deny, and the addition to paragraph four under Hydrologist Website Information – Alfred Hall informed the Section that the Department of Regulation and Licensing (DRL) allows other sites to link to our site rather than DRL linking to their sites.

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herb Garn, to approve the minutes, as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Bureau Director's Report

- **Application Processing**

Nothing to report at this time.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Nothing to report at this time.

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES UPDATE

Darwin Tichenor asked for clarification of the number of years of experience required to sit for the fundamentals portion of the exam.

Stephen Donohue clarified the requirements for an individual to sit for the fundamentals portion of the exam under sec. 3.05(2)(b), Stats.

EXAMINATION ISSUES

The review of the surfacewater, groundwater and fundamentals exams was deferred to the December 16, 1999, meeting.

PRACTICE ISSUES

Nothing to report at this time.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF HYDROLOGY

Robert Karnauskas reported on the AIH conference.

Robert Karnauskas informed the Section that individuals he spoke with at the conference were in agreement that they were not satisfied with the AIH examination as it currently exists. They felt the Wisconsin examination for licensure would create an opportunity to upgrade the AIH exam.

Darwin Tichenor addressed the exam issues that came up at the AIH conference. He gave a presentation at the conference and reviewed the history, work and details that went into the development of the exam. He explained that this exam is really an exam for AIH that is in development and everyone in AIH that has supported the efforts to put together the Wisconsin exam is also supporting AIH and a national certification exam.

NEW BUSINESS

Alfred Hall indicated that in the future the Section would have to indicate the rationale for attending the AIH conference because it is not regulatory in nature.

CLASS 1 HEARINGS ON DENIED APPLICATIONS

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to hold the Class 1 Hearings in an open session format, upon adjournment of the Section meeting, due to the lack of a quorum, and delegate the authority to rule on the hearings to Bob Karnauskas and Herb Garn, to be affirmed at the December 16, 1999, meeting.

The members present, Robert Karnauskas and Herbert Garn, reviewed applications and held Class 1 Hearings upon adjournment of the meeting. Decisions will be affirmed by a Section vote at the December 16, 1999, meeting.

SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Robert Karnauskas moved, seconded by Herbert Garn, to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 16, 1999